

Applicant : Daniel M. Lafontaine
Serial No. : 10/659,116
Filed : September 10, 2003
Page : 4 of 4

Attorney's Docket No.: 10527-429004 / SM-
P0290US04

REMARKS

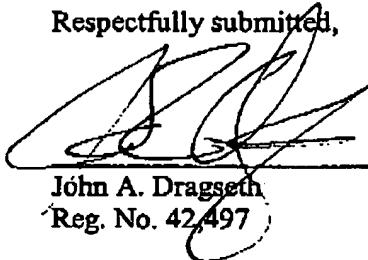
This paper responds to the Final Office Action dated July 5, 2005. Claims 28, 30-32 and 36-41 were pending in that action. Claims 28, 32, and 37-41 were rejected, and claims 30, 31, and 36 were objected to but otherwise indicated as allowable. Claims 28 and 38 are the pending independent claims.

Applicant has amended claim 28 to incorporate the features of claim 30 (and deleted claim 30), and has also amended independent claim 38 to incorporate similar features. Applicant has amended Claim 37 to depend on claim 31 so as to obviate the examiner's rejection under 37 CFR 1.75(c). Finally, the recitation of "the lesion" has been replaced with "the tissue," in line with the examiner's suggestion.

Applicant therefore respectfully suggests that all of the pending claims are in condition for immediate allowance, and requests the same.

Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,



John A. Dragseth
Reg. No. 42,497

Date: 10-3-05

Fish & Richardson P.C., P.A.
60 South Sixth Street
Suite 3300
Minneapolis, MN 55402
Telephone: (612) 335-5070
Facsimile: (612) 288-9696

60304186.doc